



PUBLIC NOTICE

File Number: NRS 14.005

Pursuant to Chapter 0400-4-7 of the Department's rules, the proposed activity described below has been submitted for approval under an Aquatic Resource Alteration Permit and §401 Water Quality Certification. This notice is intended to inform interested parties of this permit application and to ask for comments and information necessary to determine possible impacts to water quality. No decision has been made whether to issue or deny this application.

APPLICANT: Michael Shular - Owner
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Dandridge, TN 37725
(865) 908-6633

LOCATION: 136 Community Center Drive
Pigeon Forge, Sevier County
Lat. 35.807831, Long. -83.579036

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The applicant proposes to stabilize approximately 516 LF of the left descending bank of the West Prong Little Pigeon River, adjacent to Community Center Drive, utilizing a Geo-Grid Reinforced Earth Retention Slope with appropriate riparian plantings.

DEGRADATION: In accordance with the Tennessee Antidegradation Statement (Rule 0400-40-03-.06), the division has determined that the proposed activities will not result in degradation to water quality.

WATERSHED / WATERBODY DESCRIPTION: This project is in the West Prong Little Pigeon River watershed. The West Prong Little Pigeon River flows into the Little Pigeon River, which is part of the Lower French Broad River Watershed. This watershed encompasses parts of 5 counties and drains approximately 796 square miles. For more information on this watershed please visit <http://www.state.tn.us/environment/water/watersheds/lower-french-broad-river.shtml>

Stream Name / ID #: West Prong Little Pigeon River (TN06010107010_2000)
Ecoregion: Southern Shale Valleys (67g)
Stream Dimension: Channel bottom width – approximately 80 feet
Chanel top width – approximately 80 feet
Water depth – approximately 4 feet
Bank height – approximately 2-3 feet
Substrate: Alluvial deposits – coarse sands and gravel to boulder sized rock

Designated Use	Use Support	Causes
Fish and aquatic life	Not Supporting	Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4), Municipal Point Source Discharges, On-site Treatment Systems, Sanitary Sewer Overflows
Recreation	Not Supporting	Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4), Municipal Point Source Discharges, On-site Treatment Systems, Sanitary Sewer Overflows
Industrial water supply	Supporting	
Irrigation	Supporting	
Livestock watering & wildlife	Supporting	

Assessment Date: 2012

PERMIT COORDINATOR: Mark Jordan

FACTORS CONSIDERED: In deciding whether to issue or deny a permit, the department will consider all comments of record and the requirements of applicable federal and state laws. In making this decision, a determination will be made regarding the lost value of the resource compared to the value of any proposed mitigation. The department shall consider practicable alternatives to the alteration. The department shall also consider loss of waters or habitat, diminishment in biological diversity, cumulative or secondary impacts to the water resource, and adverse impact to unique, high quality, or impaired waters.

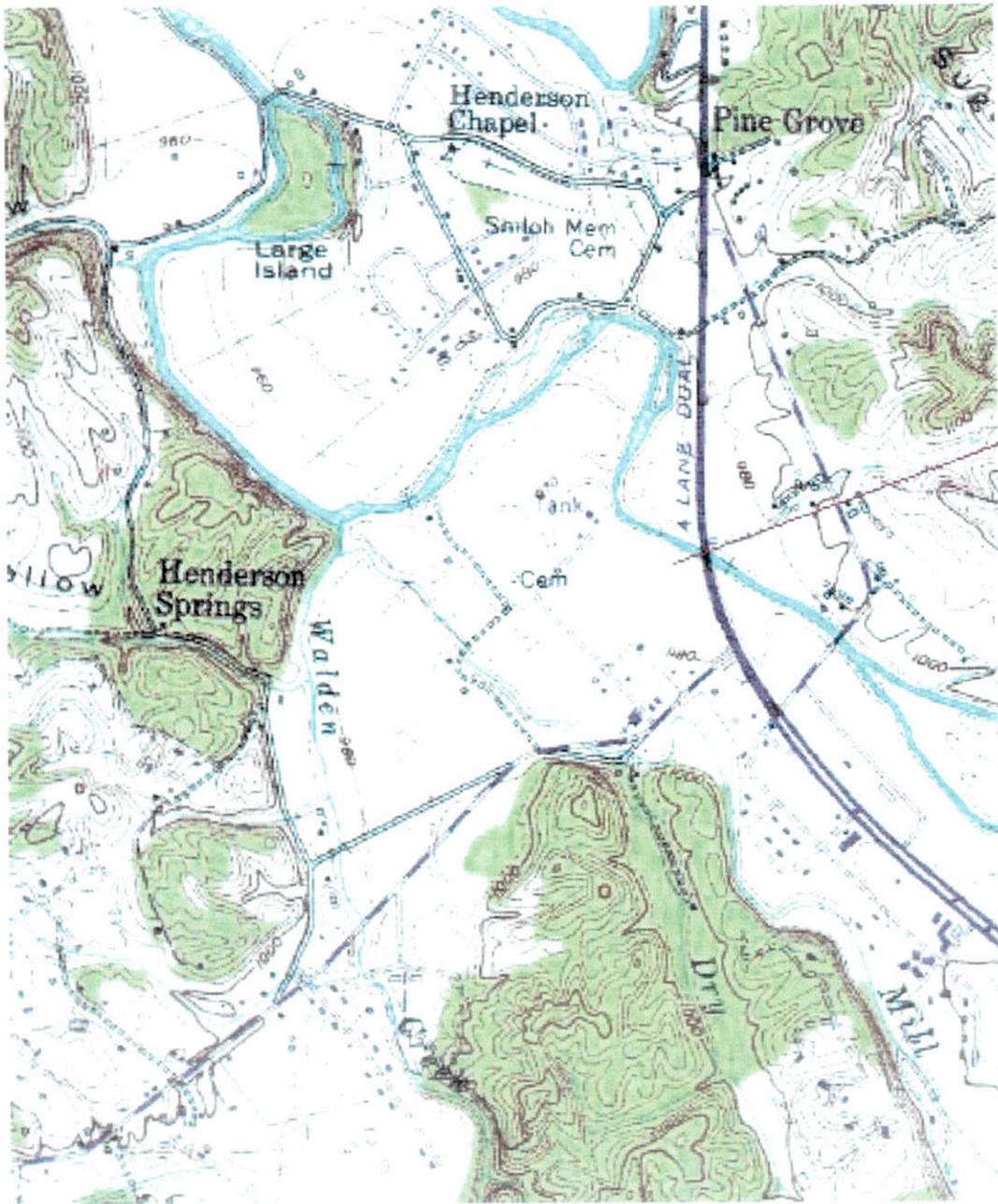
COMMENTING: Persons wishing to comment on the proposal are invited to submit written comments to the department. Written comments must be received within **thirty days of the date that this notice is posted**. Comments will become part of the record and will be considered in the final decision. The applicant's name and permit number should be referenced. Send all written comments to the department's address listed below and to the attention of the permit coordinator.

PUBLIC HEARING: Interested persons may request in writing that the department hold a public hearing on this application. The request must be filed within the comment period, indicate the interest of the person requesting it, the reasons that the hearing is warranted, and the water quality issues being raised. When there is sufficient public interest in water quality issues, the department will hold a public hearing. Send all public hearing request to the department's address listed below and to the attention of the permit coordinator.

APPEAL: A permit appeal may be filed, pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 69-3-105(i) and Rule 0400-40-05, by the permit applicant or by any aggrieved person who participated in the public comment period announced by this notice. This petition must be filed within THIRTY (30) DAYS after public notice of the issuance of the permit. The petition must specify what provisions are being appealed and the basis for the appeal. It should be addressed to the technical secretary of the Tennessee Board of Water Quality, Oil and Gas at the following address: Dr. Sandra Dudley, Director, Division of Water Resources, William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower, 312 Rosa L. Parks Ave, 12th floor, Nashville, TN 37243. Any hearing would be in accordance with T.C.A. §§69-3-110 and 4-5-301 et seq.

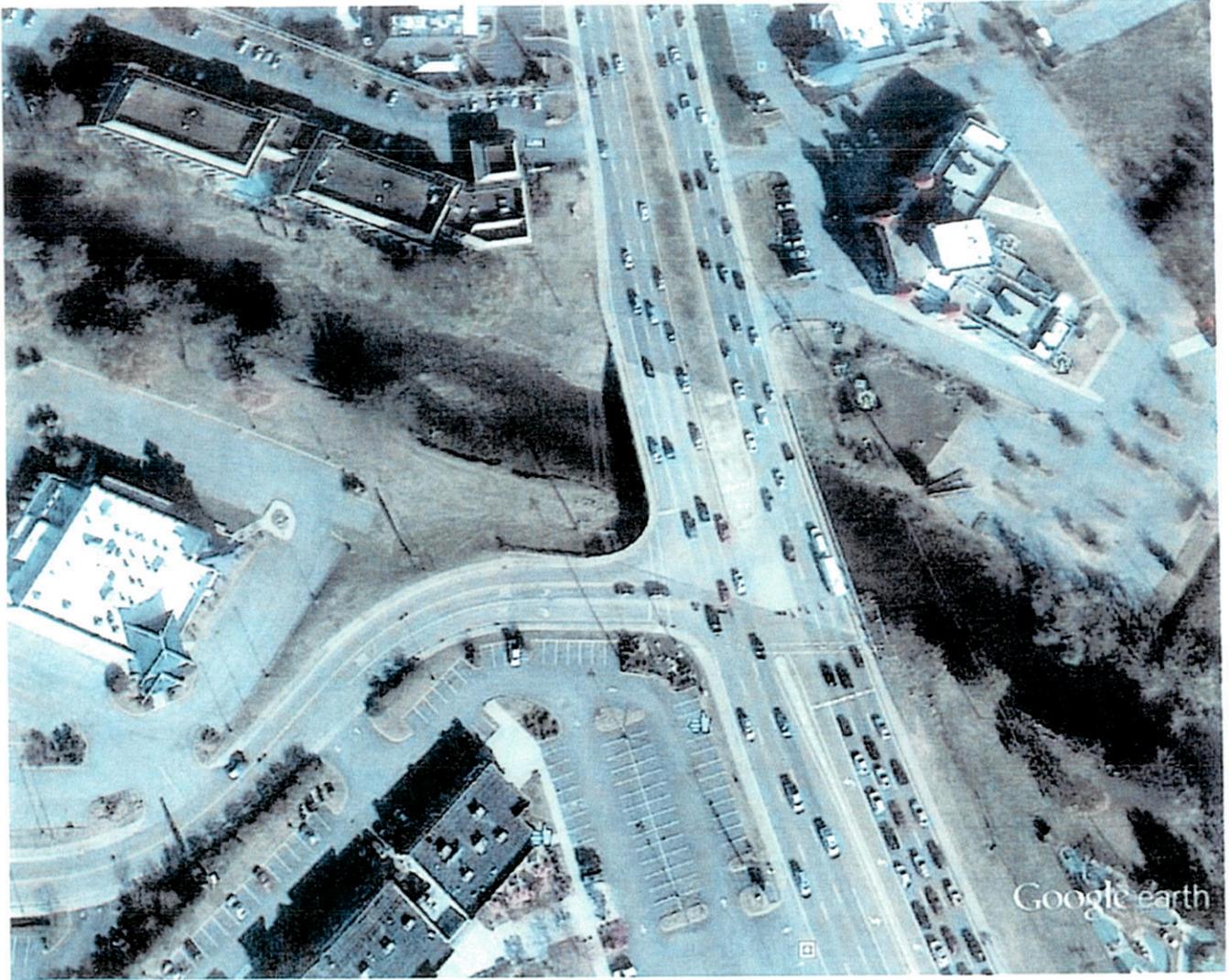
FILE REVIEW: The permit application, supporting documentation including detailed plans and maps, and related comments are available at the department's address (listed below) for review and/or copying.

Tennessee Department of Environment & Conservation
Division of Water Resources, Natural Resources Unit
William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower
312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 11th Floor
Nashville, Tennessee 37243



Approx.
Project
location

Taken from Pigeon Forge Topographic Survey



Google earth

feet 400
meters 100



112 Community Center Dr.
Pigeon Forge, TN 37863

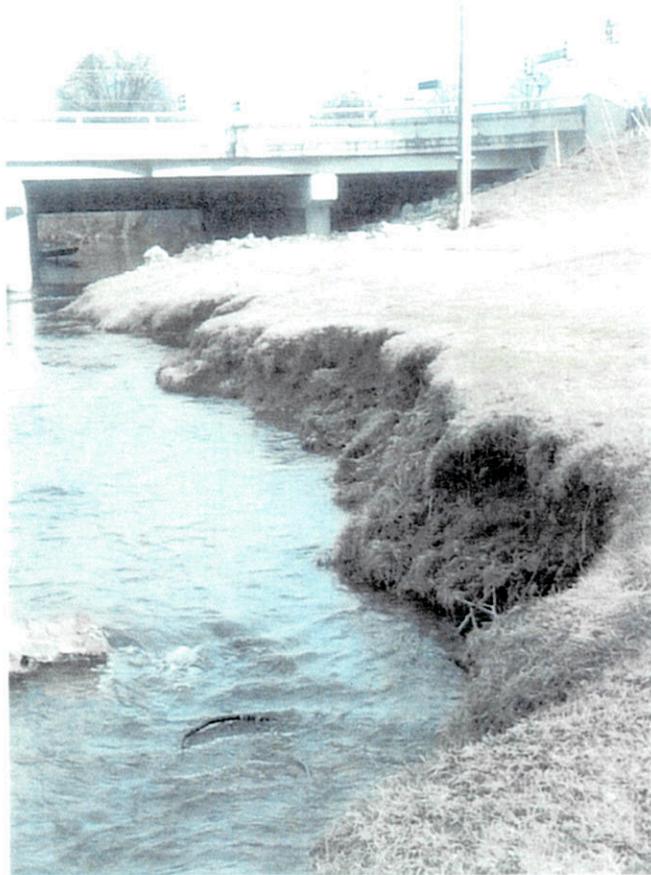
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6.3 *Photographs of the resource(s) proposed for alteration with location description (photo locations should be noted on map)*

Please see attached photo log for photographs of the resource proposed for alteration with location description.



View of eroded river bank. Photo is taken near eastern most portion of the project looking west



View of bank erosion near eastern most portion of proposed work. Hwy 441 bridge is in background



View of stream erosion that exposed previously installed conduit / utilities. The subject utilities are abandoned as they are associated with a previous campground on the property.



Additional photo showing how erosion has exposed previous utilities

